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HUNGARIAN PREMIER AND CABINET QUIT

French War Commission Returns To France

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RE A SECRET

Except to a Few Offi-
cials and the American
Newspapers

(By Associated Press)
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ITALIAN OFFICIAL MISSION ARRIVES AT WASHINGTON

Prince Udine Heads Representa-
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From Rome

ENVOYS MET BY HIGH
OFFICIALS AND TROOPS

Cheers Go Up From Thronged
Streets as War Commission-
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DENIES MEXICO SENT PROTEST TO GERMANY

(By Associated Press)
Mexico City, May 23.—Ernesto Garza Perez, in charge of the foreign office, denies that Mexico has made any representations to Germany on the submarine issue. Senor Perez was shown a statement from Amsterdam which said the Mexican minister to Germany was believed to have protested on behalf of Mexico against unrestricted submarine warfare. He declared the Mexican government had not authorized any such representations and that Mexico had nothing to say to Germany on the subject.

The senate and house have passed a bill authorizing congress to appoint temporary state governors to act until those chosen by popular election shall take office. President Carranza will name these candidates in each state and congress will select one of them.

WARNS AGAINST POLICY OF SELF-SUFFICIENCY

(By Associated Press)
Washington, May 23.—Chairman Taussig, of the tariff commission, gave warning in a speech today before the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association that the United States must not expect to carry out a policy of "industrial self-sufficiency" and at the same time expect a policy of international growth.

"We should adopt a far-sighted and generous policy in commercial agreements with other countries," said he. "Experience shows that endeavor for special trade favors with foreign nations are likely to be fruitless in the end. The only policy which promises permanence is that of equal treatment—the door open on the same terms to all."

Speaking unofficially, Chairman Taussig discussed the war tax bill and urged the manufacturers to bear any equalities and mistakes which he said are sure to creep into such a great undertaking.

S. P. FIREMEN TAKE VOTE ON CALLING PAY STRIKE

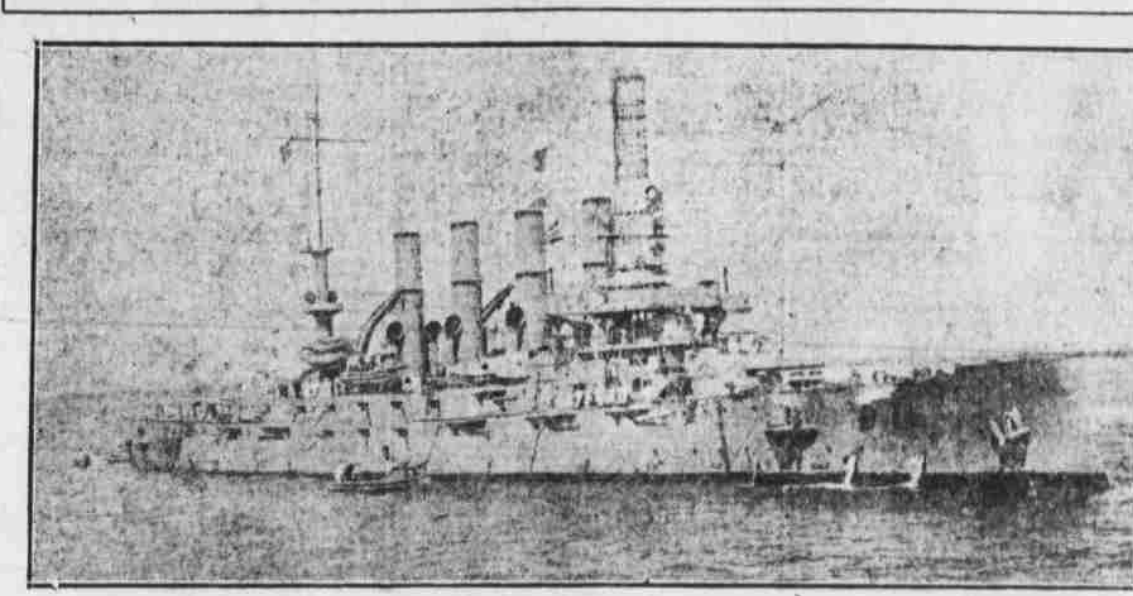
(By Associated Press)
Globe, Arizona, May 23.—Firemen on all the lines of the Southern Pacific company are taking a secret vote to determine whether a strike shall be called June 10 to enforce their demands for pay they claim under the Adamson law, between the time the law was passed and the time it went into effect, according to a letter received today by George Timberlake, a Globe merchant, from a Southern Pacific fireman. The letter, it is said, are being sent to San Francisco and all must be in before June 9.

\$2,000,000 IN BONDS TAKEN BY N. AND W.

(By Associated Press)
Philadelphia, May 23.—A subscription of \$2,000,000 to the liberty loan was made by the Norfolk and Western today. Arrangements will be made whereby employees of the company may subscribe for the bonds and pay installments of five per cent monthly.

(By Associated Press)
London, May 23.—The American medical unit under command of Major Harry L. Gilchrist which reached England last week, was received by King George today at Buckingham palace. Ambassador Page presented the Americans.

U. S. BATTLESHIP MONTANA



Allied Purchasing Board Would Spend Ten Billion Yearly

(By Associated Press)
Washington, May 23.—Plans for an allied purchasing board are being drawn to include purchases for the American army and navy estimated at approximately \$3,500,000,000 for the first year of war. The plan, as tentatively outlined, would place a purchasing power of approximately \$10,000,000,000 a year in the hands of a single commission.

Indications are that this tremendous purchasing power will be vested in one man who will have under his command an army of trained experts familiar with all American markets. The program has progressed to a stage where officials have in mind the man for the place.

Determination to include the needs of the American army and navy in the centralized purchasing board has virtually been agreed upon and the numerous details are in process of formulation. It is understood that the program calls for purchase of arms equipments, munitions and all material used in the physical waging of war by experts of the navy and war departments, rather than by civilians, and that these experts will be guided in their activities by the wishes of the secretaries of the navy and war, subject however, to the approval finally of the commission.

All the allies will be included in the scope of the commission, including Japan. The international agreement to make the program effective has not yet been concluded but probably will be ready soon for the signatures of the various ambassadors.

New legislation may be sought to vest the commission with powers not conferred by present laws.

WILL DECIDE FREIGHT RATE MATTER BY JULY 1

(By Associated Press)
Washington, May 23.—Hearings of the railroads' petition for a fifteen per cent advance in freight rates were resumed today by the interstate commerce commission with an exhaustive program under which shippers, state railroad and public utility commissions and others will be permitted to state their views. Hearings will last three weeks and decision, it is said, will be rendered prior to July 1, the date upon which the roads have asked for authorization of the proposed increase.

Shippers of various commodities including live stock, grain, lumber, oil, fruits and canned goods have entered protests and will be heard as to the reasonableness of the road's demands. Two days, June 7 and 8, will be allowed the carriers to submit rebuttal evidence and the final three days will be devoted to arguments.

Proceedings today opened with the cross examination of representatives of eastern carriers. They will be followed by representatives of southern and western lines who also will be cross examined.

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Unutilized Foods.

(By Associated Press)
New York, May 23.—Fillet, gray fish, various forms of edible sea weeds and a large array of practically unutilized American foods of the highest dietetic value are among the exhibits in the food and health exhibition opened today at the American Museum of Natural History.

ALLIES THREATEN KEY POSITIONS OF GERMANS IN WEST

Great Battle Lulls While British
Prepare to Break Drocourt-
Queant Line

CUSTOMARY RUMORS OF
PEACE FOLLOW PAUSE

German-Spanish Crisis Averted
By Berlin's Satisfactory
Assurances

(By Associated Press)
Evidences accumulate that General Petain is preparing for another offensive drive on a large scale along the Aisne and Champagne fronts.

On Monday a brilliant series of attacks won for the French all the important observation posts in the Moronvilliers region; in the Champagne last evening every one of the observation points in the Craonne region dominating the Ailette valley, were taken by the French.

This vantage ground will give the French the needed opportunity to prepare effectively for their next drive, which would imperil the Rheims salient held by the Germans. More important it would open up still further the route by which General Petain is evidently planning to strike at the German key point fortress of Laon from the rear and compel its evacuation and the falling back of the entire German line in this sector.

Lull on Isonzo Front
The Italian offensive in the Gorizia region has entered one of the phases of comparative quiet, common to such movements. The new Italian positions are being firmly held against Austrian counter attacks.

The new Russian ministry has shown its good will toward Belgium in a message of greeting sent to the Belgian foreign minister at Havre by Michael Terrechtchenko, the Russian foreign minister. Russia, says M. Terrechtchenko, will continue the war so that all nations may be assured the right to shape their own affairs and be guaranteed "against new attacks."

Political developments that may have an important international effect are impending in Austria Hungary. The Hungarian ministry of Count Tisza, long the Pro-German party leader in the dual monarchy, has apparently been tottering for some time past, and reports coming thru Holland today say that it has fallen.

The safe arrival home of Marshal Joffre and Minister of Justice Viviani from their visit to the United States, is announced in Paris.

The second phase of the great battles of Arras, Aisne and Champagne has ended in the complete failure of the most determined and costly German efforts to stem the tide of victory now setting against them.

The net result of Field Marshal Hindenburg's supreme efforts to regain the initiative has been that the British and French have tightened their grip on the German line and have placed in great peril the key position held by the Germans in northern France.

The customary lull which separates all major operations in modern warfare has now come and the expectation is that it will be broken by a British blow on a great scale against the Drocourt-Queant line already practically outflanked.

In the meantime the usual crop of peace rumors which marks these lulls has made its appearance. Reports from all kinds of sources, unofficial, semi-official, "inspired" and the like, tell of offers from Austria to Russia, Germany to Russia and Austria and Germany to the collective entente powers.

The unnamed diplomats who apparently in fact Switzerland are unusually active but there is nothing tangible or authentic to show what these reports are worth.

The latest German-Spanish crisis has subsided with the receipt by Madrid of assurances from Berlin which Premier Prieto announces as satisfactory. Germany promises to respect Spain's in her territorial waters, but the text of the communication is not made public.

The recalled German minister to Berlin reports that matters are going badly at home with the Germans and sees cracks in the imperial edifice and there are fresh reports of strikes in Hungary. There seems little question that the food problem is an acute one for the central powers, but information is too meagre to permit judgment as to what effect it may have on the military situation.

TISZA LAST PRO-TEUTON STATESMAN

Influence of Berlin in Affairs of
Dual Monarchy Gradually
Expelled

RESENTED BY EMPEROR

Premier's Downfall Due to Failure
to Carry Out Democratic
Reforms

(By Associated Press)
London, May 23.—A Central News dispatch from Amsterdam says that the Hungarian cabinet, of which Count Tisza was premier, has resigned.

Count Tisza the "iron man" of Austria has been for many years the leader of the Pro-German party in the dual monarchy and was the last survivor of the little group of statesmen who surrounded Emperor Francis Joseph when the European war began.

On the occasion of Emperor Charles the majority of the officials of the previous regime were either dismissed or resigned. There have been persistent reports from many sources that Emperor Charles keenly resented the dominance of Berlin in Austro-Hungarian affairs and that Count Tisza was the one great obstacle which prevented him from freeing his empire from the influence of Potsdam.

There have been several reports recently that the fall of Premier Tisza was imminent but the rigid censorship imposed by Vienna has prevented the outside world from learning the exact condition of affairs. At the outbreak of the war a truce was declared between the political parties in Hungary but last August Count Apponyi, leader of the liberals and a strong opponent of the Pan-Germans, announced that the truce was ended and that he would resume criticism of the government's foreign policy. He was joined by Count Karolyi, president of the Hungarian independent party, and the two popular leaders instituted a vigorous campaign against Count Tisza for his failure to carry out franchise and other democratic reforms.

GERMANS ARE AGAIN
DEPORTING BELGIANS

(By Associated Press)
Havre, May 23.—The Germans have resumed the deportations of Belgians, according to information received by the Belgian government. Three thousand persons are reported to have been deported from the suburbs of Brussels since the beginning of May.

The deportation of Belgians was reported to have ceased last month according to representations from Pope Benedict. On May 14 the Belgian government learned that all men in the Belgian province of Luxembourg were being deported and a census of women was being taken by the German authorities. The census was for the purpose of replacing male agricultural workers by women.

After Constitution.
(By Associated Press)
Jassy, Roumania, May 23, via London.—Premier Bratianu has announced to the chamber of deputies that the government requests that parliament insert in the constitution the principles of universal suffrage and expropriation in favor of the peasant. The government is also considering the Jewish question.

18 MERCHANTMEN SUNK DURING WEEK

(By Associated Press)
London, May 23.—The sinking of eighteen merchantmen of more than 1,600 tons is reported in the weekly shipping statement.

Nine vessels of less than 1,600 tons and three fishing vessels also were sunk.